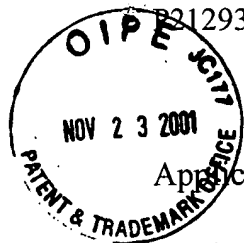


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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent No. 5,761,662 to DASAN, issued June 2, 1998;

U.S. Patent No. 5,428,778 to BROOKES, issued June 27, 1995;

U.S. Patent No. 5,890,152 to RAPAPORT et al., issued March 30, 1999; and

U.S. Patent No. 5,717,923 to DEDRICK, issued February 10, 1998.

Each of the above noted documents is cited at page 1 of Applicant's specification.

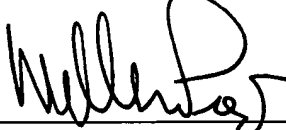
Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents and enclosed translations. Copies of the above-noted documents and translations are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the

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attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

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